GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3403
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``ILLEGAL EXTRACTION OF SAND``
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the illegal extraction of sand from the river Cauvery in Ramnagar district of Bangalore poses a danger to the Deccan Mahaseer, categorised as endangered species;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether any steps have been taken/being taken by the Government to stop such activities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTRY OF MINES(SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a) As per available information, no sand mining activities have been reported in areas of Ramnagar district where Cauvery river is flowing.

(b) to (d) Do not arise, in view of (a) above.